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TAGS: SCUL IN, US

SUBJECT: NATARAJ

FOR SCHNEIDER FROM KUX

1. NATARAJ HAS BEEN LOCATED IN LONDON AND INDIAN EMBASSY TRYING TO TAKE POSSESSION OF IT. SPOKE WITH US CUSTOMS ATTACHE AT EMBASSY LONDON WHO WORKING ON CASE WITH BRITISH POLICE AND CUSTOMS AS WELL AS INDIAN EMBASSY. HE HAS ACTUALLY SEEN THE NATARAJ TAKING BATH IN SIX FOOT TUB OF ACID. IT IS PRESENTLY IN HANDS OF UK ART RESTORER WHO LIKE OTHERS IN THIS CASE CLAIMS TO BE INNOCENT PARTY.

2. US CUSTOMS HAS BEEN INVESTIGATING CASE FOR SOME TIME IN RESPONSE TO OUR LETTER OF JUNE 26, 1974 FORWARDING INDIAN AIDE MEMOIRE AND INDIAN REQUESTS THROUGH INTERPOL. SOME LEGAL ACTION MAY BE FORTHCOMING BUT THIS IS IN THE HANDS OF US ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN NEW YORK. INGERSOLL

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